SUMTER LITTLE THEATRE

SUMTER, SOUTH CAROLINA



THE MIRACLE WORKER

by

WILLIAM GIBSON

Produced through special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

Directed by Tom Prewett

FEBRUARY 25 - 27, 1971

CAST

(In order of appearance)

DOCTOR	WALTER SHARP
KATE	KAYE SHIREY
CAPTAIN KELLER	JIMMY MILLING
HELEN	BARBARA McCOY
MARTHA	BAMBI WILSON
PERCY	LeGETTE McINTYRE
AUNT EV	JUANITA BYRD
JAMES KELLER	LOUIS FRIEDMAN
ANAGNOS	CHRIS JEBELES
ANNIE SULLIVAN	SHERRILYN FORD
BLIND GIRLS	POLLY ACKERMAN, LUANNE CHEEK, GERI FRIEDMAN, MANDI GARRIS, MONIQUE HOWARD, CINDY TAYLOR
	RONETTA MOSES

TIME: The 1880's

PLACE: In and around the Keller homestead in Tuscumbia, Alabama; also, briefly, the Perkins Institution for the Blind, in Boston.

There will be a fifteen-minute intermission between Acts I and II and a second intermission of five minutes between Acts II and III.

Refreshments will be served in the lobby during the first intermission on opening night.

PRODUCTION STAFF

Director	Tom Prewett
Stage Manager	Linda Wissner
Producer	Virginia Rosefield
Technical Advisors	. Katle Damron, Margaret McKeown

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Set DesignRay Davenport
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Lobby Display Maisle Burns, Chairman
Paintings by Mrs. Harold Turner

CAST PROFILES

SHERRILYN FORD (Annie Sullivan) makes her second appearance on the stage of the Sumter Little Theatre with the current production of "The Miracle Worker," the first being in the role of Bunny Watson in "The Desk Set." A native of Tennessee, she and her husband, Capt. Orrin R. Ford and their small daughter Meredith came to Shaw AF8 in the fall. Sherrilyn was active in all phases of threatre work while a student at Union University where she earned her B.A. degree in English, and minored in speech and drama ... BARBARA McCOY (Helen Keller) makes her dramatic debut with the SLT in one of the most demanding roles ever written for a child. A sixth grader at Willow Drive Elementary School, she is active in band, ballet, the children's choir of Holy Comforter Episcopal Church and the 4-H Club JIMMY MILLING (Capt. Keller) who has appeared in and directed many SLT productions since he came to Sumter as the librarian of the Sumter County Library, is secretary of the Board of the Little Theatre, A native South Carolinian, he is interested in painting, as well as all phases of Little Theatre work . . . KAYE SHIREY (Kate Keller) is the wife of professional race car driver, Bill Shirey, "Miracle Worker" will mark her first appearance with a little theatre group. She enjoys studying art, painting and reading classical literature. The Shireys have one daughter, Andrea, age 7 . . . LOUIS FRIEDMAN (James Keller) is a senior from Sumter High School. He is making his first appearance on the stage of SLT with this production. His hobbles are photography and radio broadcasting JUANITA BYRD (Aunt Ev) hails from Tennessee and has been active in backstage work with the SLT for the past two seasons. The mother of two teenage sons, she makes her initial stage appearance in "Miracle Worker" RONETTA MOSES (Viney) is another novice actress who debuts on the boards of the SLT in this, her first role. Born in Sumter, she earned her B.A. degree In Social Studies at Morris College and now teaches at McLaurin Junior High School, A jazz enthusiast, she also enjoys reading and bowling CHRIS JEBELES (Anagnos) is a native of Birmingham, Ala., who comes to Sumter through Shaw AFB. A graduate of Alabama College, where he earned his B.S. in Business, he enjoys sports, especially football. His wife, Lynne, is a talented singer and member of the Holy Comforter chair WALTER SHARP (Doctor) is president of the SLT and has become skilled in all phases of little theatre work through his participation in countless productions. He has been a professor of psychology at both the University of Texas and the University of South Carolina, An executive of Suburban Propane Gas, he belongs to the Lion's Club and is a vestryman of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Comforter . . . LeGETTE McINTYRE (Percy) is a sixth grade student at Alice Drive Elementary School, He appeared in SLT's production of "Oliver" and played the title role in "Winnie the Pooh." His hobbies are collecting coins, stamps and Civil War relics BAMBI WILSON (Martha) attends Thomas Sumfer Academy where she is in the seventh grade. She lives in Rembert and appeared in "Annie Get Your Gun" and "The Liberty Tree" last summer at the Outdoor Theatre in Sesqui-Centennial State Park Portraying the girls at the Perkins Institution for the Blind are CINDY TAYLOR, a student at Sumfer High School; GERI FRIEDMAN, an Alice Drive Junior High School student who appeared in last summer's SLT children's production of "Cinderella"; MANDI GARRIS, also from Alice Drive Junior High; POLLY ACKERMAN, a student at Alice Drive Elementary School; LU ANNE CHEEK, who attends Wilson Hall School and MONIQUE HOWARD, who is a student at McLaurin Junior High School.

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